

# Daily Dose of Verbal Ability-03-07-2019

## Vocabulary

**Alight** (adj):

If something is alight, it is burning = ablaze

*Several schools were set alight*

**Analogous** (adj):

If one thing is analogous to another, the two things are similar in some way = comparable

*The report's findings are analogous with our own*

**Amorous** (adj):

If you describe someone's feelings or actions as amorous, you mean that they involve sexual desire = passionate

*Supriya rejected Bunny's amorous advances*

**Ample** (adj):

If there is an ample amount of something, there is enough of it and usually some extra = abundant

*There'll be ample opportunity to relax, swim and soak up some sun*

**Ashen** (adj):

Someone who is ashen looks very pale, especially because they are ill, shocked, or frightened = pallid, ash-colored

*He saw a group walking towards him through the ashen darkness*

**Fancied** (adj):

*You should not worry about the fancied opinions of the people*

**Foppish** (adj):

If you describe a man as foppish, you disapprove of the fact that he dresses in beautiful, expensive clothes and is very proud of his appearance

**Horrendous** (adj):

Something that is horrendous is very unpleasant or shocking = horrible

*The earthquake caused horrendous sufferings to the victims*

**Inert** (adj):

Someone or something that is inert does not move at all = immobile

*Akshay lay inert on the road after being hit by the car*

**Arduous** (adj):

Something that is arduous is difficult and tiring, and involves a lot of effort = laborious, onerous, strenuous

*Shweta's work is arduous and the hours are long*

# One Word Substitutions

1. A short poem or speech addressed to the spectators after the conclusion of a drama –**Epilogue**
2. Causing or ending in death –**Fatal**
3. A group of girls –**Bevy**
4. Belief that war and violence are unjustified –**Pacifism**
5. A wall built to prevent the sea or a river from flooding an area –**Dyke**
6. A specialist who tests eyesight – **Optometrist**
7. Commencement of adjacent words with the same letter –**Alliteration**
8. One who walks in sleep –**Somnambulist**
9. A government by officials – **Bureaucracy**
10. Of very bad morals characterized by debasement or degeneration –**Depraved**

## Root Words



<u>ROOT</u>	<u>MEANING</u>	<u>EXAMPLES</u>
<b>ben, bon</b>	good	<b>benefactor</b> one who does good deeds <b>benevolence</b> charity (wishing good)
		<b>bonus</b> something extra above regular pay
<b>biblio</b>	book	<b>bibliography</b> list of books <b>bibliophile</b> lover of books
		<b>Bible</b> the Book
<b>bio</b>	life	<b>biography</b> writing about a person's life <b>biology</b> study of living things
		<b>biochemist</b> student of the chemistry of living things